

REACTION TO THE FRENCH COLONIZATION OF

a people who never before were of out of
mental or physical chaos. The idea of tie
of
nature obedience to the human will was the
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nature had hitherto always dominated life,
The law for generations bound to the soil in
to
colonize the empire. Ritual for the ancestral
these ties; when necessity forced their sale it was only
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tion of repurchase. An Annamite leaves his but to
This love of the land is not idealistic, It is
but profoundly impressive, for it creates that
which attracts the European to Ask. The
the land in which are his gods and his i
union with it all his life, and in death he of It,
has no individuality: each worker is like Ms and all
their predecessors and successors in this and
The French were naturally of on this
soil. When the natives returned after the to
land in the possession of foreigners they bj
the
sacrilege. If their fear of the mountains had
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lem might have been resolved by
But in opening new territory in the to
colonization has given to the Aioomites a the
New crops, markets, and scientific this
tery into a source of wealth. The old fear of Or
tions lest the land dragon's claws be or of
the imperial tombs* has been forgotten in the
which could not destroy lite the
Doumer, lost their prestige and The
great de-sanctifiers of the soil* and it feeds t of the
mites* soul and today, even if it has also

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materialism.

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giving quality for the AM»mite, it has* to hi»
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mites never dreamed they The of
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